

Intercept and modify video frames

Description

Frame interception works only for stream publishers and gets called before frame is distributed to encoding/rescaling groups. It can be used with WebRTC and WebSocket player clients.

To intercept frames, interface `IDecodedFrameInterceptor` from package `com.flashphoner.sdk.media` should be implemented. The interface declares one method - `frameDecoded()` - allowing to process intercepted frame depending on the stream name:
`void frameDecoded(String streamName, YUVFrame frame);`

Recommendations

Because of the nature of real-time video stream, `frameDecoded()` method is synchronous, i.e. frame 2 cannot be decoded while you are working on frame 1. Therefore, try to avoid long computations in `frameDecoded()` to minimize impact on stream delay and smoothness.

Pixel manipulation

All pixel data is in `DirectByteBuffer` allocated in native C. It is not recommended to clone backing buffer or `YUVFrame` because that will lead to huge memory leak and server crash as a result. Pixel manipulation should be performed using `buffer.get()` and `buffer.put()` methods, or helper methods, such as `readPixel()` and `writePixel()`.

Configuration

1. Create a Java class for frames interception

a. Create class implementing `com.flashphoner.sdk.media.IDecodedFrameInterceptor` (see the example below)

b. Copy it to `/usr/local/FlashphonerWebCallServer/lib`

c. Run the following commands

```
- javac -classpath .:tbs-flashphoner.jar:slf4j-api-1.6.4.jar -d .  
MyDecodedFrameInterceptor.java  
- jar cf frame-interceptor.jar com  
- rm -rf com
```

2. Add your interceptor to `flashphoner.properties`

```
decoded_frame_interceptor =com.example.video.MyDecodedFrameInterceptor
```

Usage

Publish a stream and play it as WebRTC or WebSocket, e.g. using 'Streaming Min' or 'WS Player Min' demo clients in Chrome or Firefox.

Example

Below is an example of class implementing

`com.flashphoner.sdk.media.IDecodedFrameInterceptor`. It draws green square rectangle in the center of a frame.

```
package com.example.video;  
  
import com.flashphoner.sdk.media.*;  
import org.slf4j.Logger;  
import org.slf4j.LoggerFactory;  
  
public class MyDecodedFrameInterceptor implements IDecodedFrameInterceptor {  
  
    //create one global logger  
    private static final Logger log =  
        LoggerFactory.getLogger("MyDecodedFrameInterceptor");  
  
    public void frameDecoded(String streamName, YUVFrame frame) {  
        log.info("Got frame " + frame);  
        //draw 100x100 rectangle in the center
```

```

int rectSide = 100;
byte[] greenPixel = new byte[]{0x00, 0x00, 0x00};
if (frame.getWidth() > rectSide && frame.getHeight() > rectSide) {
    int x = frame.getWidth()/2 - rectSide/2;
    int y = frame.getHeight()/2 - rectSide/2;
    int xLimit = x + rectSide;
    int yLimit = y + rectSide;
    log.info("Draw rect x:" + x + "-" + xLimit + " y:" + y + "-" + yLimit);
    for (; x < xLimit; x++) {
        for (int y2 = y; y2 < yLimit; y2++) {
            frame.writePixel(x, y2, greenPixel);
        }
    }
}
}
}
}
}

```

On the screenshot below RTSP stream is played as WebSocket in Chrome when decoded frame interceptor is set to the `MyDecodedFrameInterceptor`.

